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Venice, Jan. 27. N. S.

THE Senate has received frequent Advices, That the Turks are making Preparations as if they intended to enter immediately upon a War. They raiſe Men in great Numbers, and have reſolved to build new Ships of War. But the Grand Signior ſeems ſo little inclined to make a Rupture with the Princes of the Weſt, that 'tis believed thoſe Forces are intended to act only againſt the Muſcovites. 'Tis advis'd alſo, That the Ottoman Court has formed a Deſign for retaking the Fortreſs of Aſoph. The late violent Storms and Rains have done great Damage in this Place, and ſeveral other Parts of Italy. A Ship lately arrived from Corfou has brought Advice, That there have been ſeveral Houſes both in the Town and other Parts of the Iſland thrown down by an Earthquake. We hear from Naples, That Mount Veſuvius had lately caſt up Fire and Aſhes in great Quantities; and that the Wind at the ſame time happening to blow towards the Town, drove the Cinders in ſuch Abundance upon the City, that the People ran about the Street in the greateſt Diſorder and Confuſion imaginable. They add from thence, That Count Thaun continued his Endeavours for ſecuring a conſtant Supply of Corn; and had called a Council, to reſolve upon the Aid which is to be given to his Catholick Majeſty. We hear from Rome, That the Duke of Uceda, who reſides there in Quality of Ambaſſador from the Duke of Anjou, has received Advice, That a Tartan loaden with Proviſions, in which were many Paſſengers of Diſtinction, as well as a great Sum of Money, was loſt near Fiumicino, and but 17 Men ſaved. They write from Leghorne, That the French have put a Reinforcement into Porto Longone; and that Porto Hercole ſtill held out: But ſay, That it cannot be long before the Imperial Troops will be poſſeſſed of an Eminence which commands the Place. Biombino is ſurrendred to the Imperialiſts. The Squadron of Britiſh and Dutch Ships which ſailed for Catalonia, is reported to have put into Calliari in Sardinia, and landed the Regiment of Boneſana for the Defence of the Iſland, which has declared for King Charles, and acknowledged Count Cifuentes their Viceroy.

Bruſſels, Febr. 9. N.S. The States apply themſelves with the utmoſt Diligence to find out proper Meaſures for ſupplying his Catholick Majeſty with all the Money they are able for the Service of the enſuing Campagne. Beſides the Sum of 300000 Florins already borrow'd on the Revenue ariſing from the Poſts in the Spaniſh Brabant, they have reſolv'd to charge that Fund with the further Sum of 400000. The Two new Regiments, commanded by the Count Verviers and Colonel Deveniz, are almoſt compleat. They write from Mons, That the Enemy are very diligent in ſupplying their Magazines with new Stores, and making all neceſſary Preparations for an early Entrance into the Field. Thoſe Advices add, That there was new Works to be added to the Fortifications of Liſle; and that they are ſo apprehenſive of a general Inclination in their Men to deſert, that they pay thoſe on the Frontiers in a more exact and regular Manner than is obſerved in Payment of the Forces which lie further in the Country. The Deputies of the Commons are to aſſemble very ſuddenly at Ghent, in order to continue their Deliberations upon ſuch Subſidies as are to be granted to his Catholick Majeſty. Letters from Paris adviſe, That the Royal Million-Lottery, which was drawn ſome time ſince, hath not yet been paid; that whole Fund having been employed upon Neceſſaries for the War. The Court hath ordered the 60 Battalions which are in Savoy, Dauphiné and Provence, to be recruited with all Expedition. Advices from Spain ſay, the little Town of Alcoy had been beſieged by Monſieur Mahoni; and the Gariſon was obliged to ſurrender, after having held out 9 Days, and ſuſtained two general Aſſaults. The Detachment from Alicant, amounting to about 100 Men, were made Priſoners of War, and the Town tax'd at 48000 Piaſters. The Beſiegers are ſaid to have loſt great Numbers in their Attacks, although the Place was covered only by a ſingle Wall. The Duke of Anjou hath reſolved to oblige the chief Cities of the Kingdom to pay, by way of Advance, Part of the Sums which they are to furniſh towards the carrying on of the War; not being in a Condition to open the Campagne early enough without ſuch an Expedient. The Duke of Berwick is ſtill at Valencia, where he hath adjuſted with the Deputies of that City their Taxes for the enſuing Year. The ſame Advices add, That the Miquelets again appear in conſiderable Bodies among the Mountains of Arragon; and that they had ſeized great Quantities of Proviſions that had been ſent from Pina to Mequinenza. Orders were given to demoliſh the Fortifications of ſeveral ſtrong Places on the Frontiers of Arragon and Valencia.

Falmouth, Feb. 2. Yeſterday put in here the Hubrack, Hubrack Rapin Maſter, of and for Flushing from Nams, laden with Brandy; and the Union Galley, Thomas Marſhmore Commander, of and from London, to load Fiſh for Venice. This Day ſailed the Alliance Packet-Boat, Captain Hooper Commander, with one Mail for Lisbon; the Ambuſcade, Captain Thompſon Commander; the Edinburgh